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FILMS, COATINGS AND PRODUCTS COMPRISING BIODEGRADABLE

POLY(LACTIC ACID) POLYMER COMPOSITION

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 10, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.